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BOBBITT AT THE MT. VERNON COURT.

(To the Editor Interior Journal.)
MT. VERNON, MAY 30.—Circuit court convened here Monday, large crowd in attendance. The judge's instructions to the grand jury able and comprehensive as usual. Among other things he told the jury that there was a great clamor in the country about the laws not being enforced, that the people expected that when a man was indicted that conviction ought to follow. He said one reason why so many acquittals, grand juries frequently indicted upon insufficient evidence. I dislike to disagree with my able and most learned preceptor in the law, but I will tell you where the blame lies. 'Tis not with the examining courts, who generally send the guilty on for further trial, 'tis not with the grand juries, who generally indict the guilty, but 'tis suborning of witnesses and perjury before the trial jury, witnesses being run off, and refusing to tell before the petit jury the same story they told before the grand jury, and a false and mistaken sympathy that prevails in the breast of the petit jury that finds no lodgment in the bosom of the grand jury.

A case occurred not long since in the Rockcastle circuit court in which the examining court discharged its duty, the grand jury did likewise but from a failure of the petit jury to discharge its duty by punishing the criminal, the defendant escaped with impunity and the consequences of that acquittal were most direful. Unless our laws are rigidly enforced, with the spirit of anarchy commission, and socialism, with which our people are becoming inoculated by the foreign element, the time is not far distant when we can be no longer governed or ruled by law.

The republicans held a convention here Monday to appoint delegates to their Congressional convention and Col. W. O. Bradley was called upon for a speech and made an able and most beautiful one. He showed how the democratic Senate would not pass the Wilson tariff bill, although the party was pledged to tariff reform, and showed how our party was betrayed by its leaders by their treason and incompetency. All the woes and snags of the season were charged to the democracy. And as a further evidence of the Almighty's displeasure, he had placed upon the flowery brow of May, an animated wreath of snow, and extended the withering frost line to the Gulf of Mexico. The colonel did not say this in rhyme as you see I have but he said it in beautiful prose. He said when the republicans should come into power in 1897, the seasons would resume their natural rotation and God Almighty would be pleased. I told Bradley afterwards that I wanted to add yes, and the devil himself would be delighted. His speech was loudly applauded, and added another laurel to the dowerly wreath upon his brow.

Monday and Tuesday the gallant little knight of the tripod, E. C. Walton, was here in the interest of the best county paper that ever gladdened the home of the countymen.

In a stopping at the Newcomb Hotel now kept by Willis Adams and his amiable wife. They feed you like a Nabob in India. I had been fasting and praying and perhaps "cursing" cut worms with my tenants until I was very sharp-set from my long ramadan and had it not been for the elegant dinner I had just eaten with my friend, of Gum Sulphur, Gran. Roberts, I might have taken a surfeit at the Newcomb Hotel.

No court to-day, National holiday, decoration day. I will conclude this rather lengthy letter by giving Judge Morrow's peculiar instruction to the jury in a misdemeanor case:

Gentlemen of the jury, if you believe either the witness for the Commonwealth or the defendant you will find the defendant guilty.

FONTAINE FOX BOBBITT.

As usual, Gov. McCreary is to have a walk over for re-nomination to Congress, and he is the only member of the Kentucky delegation to be thus favored this year. At the beginning of his political career he laid down an asphalt course for his pneumatic safety, and has had easy riding ever since. As three times member of the legislature and twice its speaker, governor of the State, five consecutive terms and a sixth assured in Congress, member of the Inter-National Monetary Congress, and a seat in the Senate certain if his life is prolonged to Scriptural span, James Blessed McCreary's whole life is sufficient answer to those who enviously refer to him from the other side of Easy street as "a commonplace man."—Louisville Times.

The H. & P. Literary Society at Ghent, Miss Jennie Tandy, corresponding secretary, will give its annual banquet to-night at Masonic Temple with reception from 7 to 8. Ex-Gov. Will Cumback will deliver an address and Hon. Evan Settle and other distinguished men will respond to toasts.

A report comes from Lexington that an afternoon paper, to be run in the interest of Breckinridge, will be started soon.

MT. VERNON, ROCKCASTLE COUNTY.

—A girl at John Proctor's.
—Your B. M. was with us Monday and Tuesday.

—The band gives a strawberry supper at church Friday night.
—Republicans and potato bugs are about to take the county.

—Since Monday morning Dr. Hugh Miller has been called father. It's a girl.
—Our esteemed friend, George W. Fagan, of Pine Hill, was here a few days since and told of a man living near his place who had 120 grand and great grand children.

—Mr. H. B. Jenks, chief clerk of rail way mail service, was here this week and arranged to have a mail opened here Sunday afternoons at 3 o'clock. This is on account of the night mails having been discontinued when night office was closed here.

—John Mullins, of Livingston, who probably carries more lead in his person and has been carved up more than any man in the county, is in town for a few days. He says when a gun fires anywhere within a mile of Livingston, his father rushes him into a back room to prevent further accidents.

—Circuit court is in session here with Judge Morrow presiding and Commonwealth's Attorney C. W. Lester in attendance. But few visiting attorneys, among them we notice James R. Cook, Somerset, W. O. Bradley and the "Cicero of the Mountains." The trial of Bill Newcum for the murder of Mrs. Burk is in progress to-day, Thursday.

—Judge Morrow and Col. Bradley went up to Williamsburg Tuesday afternoon. Messrs. J. W. Adams and Charley Higgins, of Garrard, are with us. Misses Lina and Clara Kennedy are visiting Russellville. Mrs. Sam Ward, of Livingston, is visiting this place. Mrs. E. Brooks is here from Paris. Miss Lida Cook, of Livingston, is visiting friends here.

—Decoration day was observed here in an appropriate manner. At 1 o'clock the old soldiers, numbering about 100, formed a line near the Newcomb Hotel and marched to the court house, followed by the Sunday-school children carrying flags and banners; Capt. A. H. Evans in command. Music by the Mt. Vernon brass band. After orations, etc., at the court house, the march was taken up to the cemetery, where the soldiers' graves were appropriately decorated. Everything went off in an orderly manner. There were probably 2,000 people in attendance.

HUSTONVILLE.

—House cleaning is going on in Christian College this week.

—Strawberries are being brought in town and sold for 40 cts. per gallon.

—Miss Annie Johnston was visiting Miss Yowell the first of the week. Messrs. J. B. Cook and G. M. Givens were up Sunday.

—The young teachers, who are preparing themselves for better teachers, are looking forward to the great times Friday and Saturday, the examination days.
—Misses Mannie Botts and Burdett, of Texas, who were visiting Miss Bettie Powell, returned to Lexington Monday. Prof. Sam Menefee, of Stanford, is among us quite often now.

—There will be a "walk about" given just after the entertainment at C. C. by the young ladies. There will be written invitations sent out by the society. There will also be a supper given for the benefit of the college library.

—The Moreland Debating Club will meet Friday night at the Millidgeville school house and debate on the subject: affirmed: "That a Man's Sweetheart has more influence over him than his Mother," also music and paper. They will be assisted by the well known debaters of Beech Grove Society.

—Meredith Pruitt is home from Danville on a visit. Mr. Pruitt finishes his collegiate course there this year. Misses Hattie Park, Lou Hocker and Kate Moore were in Danville Monday. Randolph Coffey went to Middleburg Monday on business. Frank Hunn returned to Columbia the first of the week.

—The debating society of L. L. A. met last Friday night and made things lively for a while discussing bread and biscuits. Songs were rendered by Misses Cook, Reid and Carpenter and Messrs. Dinwiddie and Williams. As always the case the house was over crowded and many were compelled to remain on the outside and hear the "silver tongued" orators declaim.

To live in hearts we leave behind
Is not to die.—Campbell.

'Tis not the whole of life to live;
Nor all of death to die.—Montgomery.

How noiseless falls the foot of time
That only treads on flowers!—Spencer.
To weep is not always to suffer.—Mme. de Genlie.

The only true language of love is a kiss.—A. de Musset.

—Mrs. Ella Wheeler Wilcox exclaims, "Oh, the raptures of motherhood! Ah, the exquisite thrill of baby's hands on the maternal bosom!"

WILLIAMSBURG, WHITLEY COUNTY.

—The schools are out, court is over and our town will seem deserted for awhile.

—Rev. A. A. Myers, of Cumberland Gap, was here attending the commencement this week.

—Some of our people are attempting to build a gymnasium, which would be a great benefit to our young people, and we hope they will succeed.

—Several of our citizens left Wednesday night for Frankfort to attend the meeting of the Republican League, among them Col. Fred S. Horton, of the Journal-Advocate.

—The decoration day exercises were held here Wednesday. The crowd first assembled at the court-house steps, where Miss Lou Whitley delivered to the G. A. R. Post a new flag bought by the W. C. T. U. in a very neat little speech, while Judge Morrow returned the thanks of the Post to the ladies, after which the crowd all marched to the Woodland Cemetery, where Col. Silas Adams, Judge Morrow and Charles Finley made speeches. There was not as large a crowd present as was expected, on account of it looking so much like rain.

—Last Sunday evening Rev. E. J. Bower preached the baccalaureate sermon for the academy at the Congregational church. The house was crowded to overflowing and an excellent sermon was preached. Monday evening, President Frost, of Berea, delivered an address and Tuesday evening the graduating class, which consisted of Miss Fannie Hill and R. E. Vaughn, gave the final closing exercises. Mr. Vaughn delivered an oration on the subject, "Our Kentucky Home," and Miss Hill read an excellent essay, subject "Pinck, Luck." After the exercises were dismissed, the Alumni gave a banquet to a number of their friends in the room in the rear of the building.

LONDON, LAUREL COUNTY.

—Mrs. Fitch, of Aseland, is here to take charge of her brother's children and procure bail for him. Wm. Stott, indicted for murder, is her brother.

—Lion Cornelius was sent up for one year for hitting Bill Green in the head with a rock with intent to kill. He was acquitted for shooting another man in the face and kicking him senseless.

—Decoration day brought a large number of people here Wednesday, but as no arrangements had been made for any ceremonies it was at first thought that the usual programme would not be gone through. Prof. Chelmsman and James Harkleroad took charge of things about 12 o'clock and by 1 o'clock the court house was crowded, the London Cornet Band contributing music. Suitable speeches were made by several old soldiers among whom were: Col. A. H. Clark, J. F. Baugh, V. Boreing, Postmaster J. L. Weaver, Col. R. L. Ewell, Capt. W. T. Bryant and others. Col. Ewell's speech was one to be remembered. He took for his text the lives of Grant and Lee and eulogized both alike, and said among other things that he believed when Grant died that Lee met him in the realms above, gave him the hand of fellowship and welcomed him on the golden shore.

Christian College Notes.

[ADV.]

—Mr. and Mrs. Thomson and their little daughter, Catharine, made a visit on Saturday to Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Moore, in Garrard Co.

—The closing exercises of Christian College will take place in the Christian church on Tuesday evening, June 5th. A supper for benefit of college library will be given at the college on the same evening of the entertainment.

—To avoid expense of purchasing books, teachers attending the normal should bring such text books as they have. All teachers expecting to attend should notify principal at once, so that in case the college boarding department is filled, arrangements may be perfected outside.

—Mr. Meredith Pruitt, who is attending Centre College and who takes an A. B. degree at that institution this June, called at C. C. on Tuesday. Meredith is a former pupil here and was a close good student, and a young man of excellent morals. We predict for him a successful career.

—A Kentucky judge saw fit the other day to call down a Cincinnati drummer who was making remarks defamatory of Kentuckians in general at a table d'hote in Harrodsburg. But it is our opinion that the game was not worth the candle. What earthly use is there in calling down a drummer? The drummer is irrepressible and his loquacity and his lies ride upon the waves of contradiction like a cork upon the dancing waters of Barren Creek.—Covington Commonwealth.
—Joseph H. Outhwaite, of the 12th Ohio district, and Marshall Arnold, of the 14th Missouri, are two democratic representatives in Congress who have been nominated without opposition. Gov. McCreary is the next man to be similarly honored.

LANCASTER, CARRARD COUNTY.

—H. Clay Hamilton has purchased an interest in Pascoe's confectionery.

—Joe Haselden has purchased a pair of fine St. Bernard pups and named them "Willie" and "Madeline."

—Fifteen or twenty members of the local lodge of K. of P's will attend the decoration ceremonies at Lexington on the 5th.

—Prof. Crouse, the new clarinet player, has arrived and played with the boys yesterday. He is a first class barber and has opened a shop over Stormes' furniture store. Any work given him by the citizens will be appreciated by the band boys.

—We heard a pretty girl say that the editor of the INTERIOR JOURNAL was—she saw at Lancaster Wednesday. (The first young lady, who will supply the words used where the blank occurs and mail her answer to us, will get a copy of this paper one year free. Ed.)

—Miss Isabel Owsley is the guest of Mattie Wilds. Misses Fish and Saunders, of Stanford, are visiting; Miss Bella Arnold. Dr. Burdette and wife, of Brodhead have been visiting relatives here. Miss Alice Fox Young has returned from Virginia where she attended school. Miss Lettie Brown, of Lexington, is visiting relative here. Miss Straub, of Stanford, is visiting Miss Nellie Dillion. The following were here Wednesday to attend the races: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sparks, Misses Davis and Fank, Messrs. Denman, Gordon, Crutcher, of Nicholasville; Mr. and Mrs. Al Huffman, Misses Hale and Burnside, Messrs. Penny, Dunn, Rout, McKinney, and Danks, of Stanford; Mr. Robert Hall, of Somerset; Miss Allie Waller, of Kirksville; Mr. and Mrs. Delp Rice, of Marksbury. Miss Carrie West was the guest of Miss Bessie Marksbury.

—Wednesday's attractions drew a very large crowd to town. In fact it was the largest one that assembled in our little city since John Robinson's circus was here last Summer. Everyone was on his best behavior and nothing of an unpleasant character occurred. The bicycle races in the forenoon were very exciting and hotly contested. The following is a list of races, prizes awarded and names of the winners:

First race, two miles, gold medal valued at \$25, won by Adams, of Somerset, second prize, lantern, valued at \$5, G. L. Penny, of Stanford.

Second race, quarter mile heats beat two in three, (entries limited to Garrard county) 1st prize gold medal, value \$25, won by Theo. Curry, Lancaster, 2nd prize, lantern, value \$5, won by Fred Frisby.

Third race, one mile; (limited to boys under 16 years of age), first prize, gold medal, value \$10, won by Sam Embury, of Stanford, second prize, bicycle bell value \$2, won by Theo. Curry.

Fourth race, three miles; first prize, gold medal, value \$15, won by Frank Jones, of Stanford, second prize, bicycle cap value \$2, won by Robt. Hiatt, Lancaster.

Fifth race, half mile; (limited to Garrard county) first gold medal value \$10, won by Theo. Curry, Lancaster, second prize, belt value \$2, won by Raymond Haselden, Lancaster.

The sixth and last race was the five mile handicap which was won by Jim Burton, of Stanford, the prize being a gold medal valued at \$25, second prize, lantern, value \$2, won by Adams, of Somerset. It will be seen from the foregoing that Stanford boys carried off the most of the prizes.

At 2 p. m. the Knights of Pythias held their preliminary exercises in the court house, when Rev. Campbell delivered a touching and eloquent address. These ceremonies over, the Knights, headed by the Lancaster band, marched to the cemetery and decorated the graves of their departed brethren. A large number of Knights from Stanford, Nicholasville and other adjoining cities were present and took part in the exercises. At 4 p. m. the game of base ball between Nicholasville and Lancaster was called and was an interesting and exciting one indeed. The Lancaster's won, but by the close score of 9 to 11. The K. P's gave a banquet at the court house at night to the visiting brethren which was greatly enjoyed. A hop at the Mason House closed the events of the day. About 20 couples were present and had a nice time.

—A Knoxville pension applicant had four porous plasters and two mustard plasters on himself when he went before the board of examiners last week, and failed to pass. When a half-dozen plasters fail to draw a pension it's high time for the G. A. R. to get up on its hind legs and howl.—Glasgow Times.

—A Berlin dentist, in drawing a lady's tooth, had his finger bitten by a convulsive closing of her mouth. He died in two days from blood poisoning.

"Sharp man, that." "How?" "Widowed and got judgment for \$100." "Yes." "Married the widder, got a divorce for \$50 and had \$40 left out of the \$100."—Atlanta Constitution.

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